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Mr. Allen W. Dulles Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington 25, D. C.



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Dear Mr. Dulles:

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I have your letter of December 3 in which you discuss the positions of Director and Deputy Director of Central Intelligence. Your recommendations are based on groupings with other positions under the Executive Pay Act rather than on salary rates.

Last year the position of Director of Central Intelligence was grouped at the important stages of proposed legislation with the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the secretaries of the three military departments. This year you would like to have us consider grouping the position of Director with the Under Secretary of State, the Deputy Secretary of Defense and the top or senior Administrative Assistants to the President.

Last session the position of Deputy Director of Central Intelligence was ranked in the Administration's proposal and in S. 2628 with assistant secretaries, the Associate Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the under secretaries of the military departments (who were to receive the same pay as assistant secretaries of executive departments). In H. R. 7619 as it passed the House the relationship was somewhat different. The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence ranked with the Deputy Under Secretaries of State, the under secretaries of the military departments, and above the assistant secretary level. You suggest that the Deputy Director, regardless of salary rate, should be equated with deputy under secretaries, particularly Deputy Under Secretaries of State, and with the under secretaries of the military departments. The basic ranking idea, as I understand it, that you have in mind is to place the Deputy Director somewhat above the assistant secretary level.

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I appreciate having your letter available when we discuss the details of an Executive Pay Act proposal for next session. We will be glad to give your ranking equations consideration at every stage. The approach you have taken makes the issues very clear.

Sincerely,

Philip Yeyng